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Title: METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING DIRECTED CIRCUITS BETWEEN

PARTIES WITH LIMITED MUTUAL TRUST

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PETITION UNDER 37 CRF §1.47, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, UNDER 37 CFR §1.183

The present application was filed on March 10, 2004. The application was filed with a "Declaration for Patent Application" (enclosed herewith) and was signed by five inventors and dated by four of those inventors with a date of March 9, 2004. One inventor, Henry Steinberg, failed to date his declaration.

In an Official Action mailed September 13, 2007, the examiner objected to the oath as being defective because Mr. Steinberg did not date his signature.

The five named inventors assigned their rights to ComBrio, Inc. in an assignment that was recorded March 10, 2004. The assignment is at Reel/Frame 015079/0734. Mr. Steinberg is no longer employed by ComBrio, Inc.

Counsel for ComBrio sent Mr. Steinberg at his home address a declaration requesting that he date the declaration, and included a postage paid return envelope. Counsel followed up with Mr. Steinberg on multiple occasions by telephone. Mr. Steinberg confirmed that he received the document but refused to date and return the document.

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Mr. Steinberg's current address is believed to be: 13 Hunts Point Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107.

This petition requests that the Patent Office accept the declaration, notwithstanding the omitted date by Mr. Steinberg.

In the event that this petition under 37 CFR §1.47 is deemed in any way to be insufficient, it is requested that this petition be considered under 37 CFR § 1.183 to suspend the rules on the basis that the facts above indicate an unusual circumstance such that the provisions of the rule should be suspended to allow for the declaration to be submitted and accepted.

Please charge any fee that may be due in connection with this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. It is requested that this be considered first a petition under 37 CFR § 1.47 and that the fee of 37 CFR § 1.17(g) be applied and that the fee under § 1.17(f) be applied only in case it is necessary to consider this matter under § 1.183.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: A METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING DIRECTED CIRCUITS BETWEEN PARTIES WITH LIMITED MUTUAL TRUST

the specification of which

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 Application Serial No .
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)
Priority Claimed

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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